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Lowe's Home Centers, Inc.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

EDWIN TOLBERT, JR.,

Plaintiff,

v.

LOWE'S HOME CENTERS, INC.,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 07 Civ 8232 (CLB)

RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1 [formerly Local General Rule 1.9] and to enable District Judges and Magistrate Judges of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification and recusal, the undersigned counsel for Defendant Lowe's Home Centers, Inc. (a private non-governmental party) certifies that the following are corporate parents, affiliates and/or subsidiaries of said party, which are publicly held:

Lowe's Home Centers, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of North Carolina, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lowe's Companies, Inc., the shares of which latter corporation are publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

Dated: Florham Park, New Jersey
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